Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether there is any objection to District Judges being allowed to inspect the Village Panchayat Courts in their jurisdiction ?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: That is a matter for consideration.

Government officers as members of non-official committees in Trivandrum.

133. **Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai:** Will the Government be pleased to furnish information on the following points:

(*a*) whether the Government officers have served as members in committees organised in Trivandrum by the public during the last 3 years, and, if so, whether they had the permission of Government to do so ;

(*b*) whether previous sanction of Government is necessary of their officers to serve as members in such committees ;

(*c*) whether the Government have made any grant contribution or donation to any of those committees, and, if so, what is the amount given to each ;

(*d*) whether the Government had any control over the finances, the working, etc., of such committees, and, if so, whether the accounts of such committees have been checked by any recognised auditors ;

(*e*) whether any accounts have been rendered to Government or to the public by such committees ;

(*f*) whether the Government have ascertained if any of those committees had any surplus funds in their hands, and, if so, what they have done with such funds ;

(*g*) whether the Government or their officers who served in such committees make themselves liable for misappropriation of funds, if any, or for non-rendering of accounts ; and

(*h*) whether Government service has in any way suffered as the result of their officers having been allowed to take part as active members in non-official committees ?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: (*a*) to (*h*) No statistics are maintained by Government of committees organized by the public.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: The answer given is no answer to my question at all. I never wanted statistics regarding the committees organised by the public. I only wanted to know whether Government Officers have taken part in committees organised by the public. As a member of this House, I am entitled to get that information. With reference to parts (*a*), (*b*) and (*c*), it is the duty of Government to enquire whether their officers took part in ch committees.

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Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: To answer the question fully statistics relating to the committees have to be collected. Government do not maintain accounts of these committees and it is not possible to collect information on the various points raised in the question.

Mr. M N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether any of the Government Officers have taken part in such committees?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: They might have.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: In that case, may I know whether they had the sanction of Government?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: If sanction of Government, to serve on such committees, was necessary such sanction would have been taken.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether contributions have been made by Government servants to such committees?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pilla: I cannot answer that question off-hand.

President: I quite realise the difficulty of the Honourable member. But the answer would probably have been more readily furnished if one or two instances had been furnished and questions started on their basis. These general questions give rise to the possibility of general answers which may not be satisfactory to either side.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: It was not possible for me to know in what all cases Government Officers had taken part; hence my question.

President: Even one case?

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: I have fixed a definite period so that the information might be collected.

Second Grade Graduate teachers.

134. ***Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai:** Will the Government be pleased to furnish a statement containing the following information:

(*a*) the names of second grade graduate teachers employed in the Education Department since 1100 and their respective pay;

(*b*) the names of those who were confirmed, the dates of such confirmation and their respective total service;

(*c*) the names of those who have not been confirmed till now (25-3-1112), their respective pay and total service;

(*d*) the pay fixed for these teachers under the Standardisation Scheme; and

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